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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Labor and Workplace

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Hello representatives and committee members.

My name is A-Li Yun and I'm an RN at St. Vincent Hospital. I am writing in support of HS 2792. We have been working towards a fair contract for over 400 days now and ever since the start of negotiations, St. Vincent administration has stated that there were limited funds to provide us with fair pay and benefits. It is a HUGE slap in the face when my friends who are travel nurses show me the requisition requests from their travel agencies that show that Providence will pay \$100-110/hr in addition to paying for their flights, housing, transportation to and from hotels and meals. Providence's claims that they do not have enough funds for nurses' benefits is not congruent with their actions in procuring replacement nurses. Providence accepts state and federal funds as part of Medicare and Medicaid, which is not an insignificant amount. This bill would provide assurances that state and federal monies would be used in accordance with the needs of Oregonians, not corporate healthcare.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

A-Li Yun